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SUBJECT: ZAMBIAN PRESS HIGHLIGHTS -- JUNE 22

1. BRITAIN AND THE WEST WERE ACCUSED OF DOUBLE DEALING IN HANDLING THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN SITUATION BY GRZ FOREIGN MINISTER MWALE WHEN HE DEPARTED LUSAKA FOR THE OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING IN LIBREVILLE. MWALE TOLD THE PRESS THAT BRITAIN AND THE WEST WERE INSISTING ON A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT BECAUSE OF THEIR BUSINESS INTERESTS IN RHODESIA. THE U.K. AND HER ALLIES DON'T WANT THE REBEL REGIME TOPPLED BY THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS BECAUSE THEY WISH TO ESTABLISH A REGIME OVER WHICH THEY HAVE CONTROL IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEIR INTERESTS. MWALE WENT ON TO OBSERVE THAT AN ATTEMPT IS BEING MADE BY THE WEST TO

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CREATE AN IMPRESSION OF SUPPORT FOR MAJORITY RULE, WHILE IN REALITY BRITAIN IS SUSTAINING THE SMITH REGIME BY SUPPLYING IT WITH OIL AND GIVING ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE.

2. THE SAME ARTICLE REPORTING MWALE'S REMARKS NOTED COMMON-WEALTH SECRETARY RAMPHAL'S COMMENT IN LONDON THAT HE IMAGINED THE EXPERIENCE IN RHODESIA WOULD BE THE SAME AS IN MOZAMBIQUE,

AND ZIMBABWE WOULD DEVELOP INTO A COUNTRY SIMILIAR TO ITS
MARXIST NEIGHBOR.

3. KAUNDA S REMARKS IN PARIS THAT IF A SOLUTION TO THE ARMED
CONFLICT IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IS TO BE FOUND, THE WEST MUST
CUT OFF SUPPORT FOR SOUTH AFRICA, WHICH SUPPORTS RHODESIA,
WERE FRONT-PAGED IN BOTH DAILIES.

4. EACH PAPER CARRIED EFFUSIVE WELCOME HOME EDITORIALS WHICH
PRAISED KAUNDA S PERFORMANCE AT THE COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE
AND HIS EFFECTIVENESS IN BRINGING HOME TO THE EUROPEAN COUNTIRES
HE VISITED THE "MAGNITUDE AND IMMEDIACY OF THE PROBLEMS
CREATED BY THE MAJORITY REGIMES SOUTH OF ZAMBIA S BORDERS...".

5. THE TIMES OF ZAMBIA REPORTED ON ITS FRONT PAGE THE JUNE 20
AGREEMENT OF 21 U.S. COMPANIES TO SUPPORT GUIDELINES ON
CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN SOUTH AFRICA, INITIALLY ADHERED TO BY
12 U.A. COMPANIES IN MARCH.
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